MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDHANAN NAIR: May I ask why the allotments for the maintenance of the roads were not fully utilised?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR: The allotment of Rs. 270 has been utilised; but, as is explained in the answer, the whole of the allotment for each individual road might not have been spent entirely on that road.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: With reference to part (*d*), may I know why sufficient allotments were not made for the maintenance of roads, at least after it was found that the allotments made were not sufficient?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR: The question of giving more allotment for individual roads is being placed before Government from time to time when it is found that the allotment made is not sufficient.

MR. G. VELU PILLAI: Which is the particular road referred to in part (*c*) of the answer.

PRESIDENT: That is a general question, and a general answer has been given.

Dhanapadickal Canal.

419. *MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total amount of the maintenance grant for the Dhanapadickal Canal, Karthigapally taluk for 1114;

(*b*) what portion of the allotment has been spent up to 21-11-1114; and

(*c*) whether only a portion of the Canal has been deepened this year?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR (*a*) Rs. 1,000.

(*b*) About Rs. 600.

(*c*) Yes.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDHANAN NAIR: May I know why only a portion of the canal was deepened this year?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR: Out of the allotment of Rs. 1,000, those portions the deepening of which was absolutely necessary was only under taken.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDHANAN NAIR: May I ask whether the portions not deepened are as deep as the portions deepened?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR: Some portions are sufficiently deep; other portions are shallow and require frequent deepening, and it is such portions that have been attended to.

Income of the Transport Department.

420. *MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state the monthly net income of the Transport Department?

MR. G. NARAYANAN TAMPI (*Secretary to Government*): Approximately Rs. 10,000 on an average.

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MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI : ചെലവുകഴിച്ചു മാസം എന്തുലാഭം ഉണ്ടെന്നുള്ള വിവരം പറയാമോ?

MR. G. NARAYANAN TAMPI . അതാണു "നെറ്റ് ഇൻകം" എന്നു പറഞ്ഞിരിക്കുന്നതു്.

MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI : ഈ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിന്റെ മൊത്തം ദിനമുള്ള വളർച്ചയിൽ ഈ പ്രസ്ഥാനത്തെ അനുകൂലിക്കുന്ന അധികം ആളുകൾക്കും സന്തോഷമുണ്ടെന്നുള്ള വിവരം ഗവണ്മെൻറിനറിയാമോ?

MR. G. NARAYANAN TAMPI : അറിയാം.

MR. KUNJU PANICKER : May I know whether, in arriving at the figure given in the answer, the commission due to the Transport Superintendent has also been taken into account?

MR. G. NARAYANAN TAMPI : No, Sir.

State Transport.

421. *MR. K. G. GOVINDAN (*Pattanamtitta*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether, under the Covenant, the Superintendent of State Transport is entitled to get a definite percentage of the net profits of the working of the State Transport ;

(*b*) if so, what that percentage is ;

(*c*) what amount has been paid to him till the 15th of Mithunam 1114 under the above item ; and

(*d*) whether the net profit is calculated with due regard to the depreciation of the vehicles, ground-rent of the garages, exemption from payment of P. W. D. tolls and the depreciation in value of the buildings constructed for garages?

MR. G. NARAYANAN TAMPI (*a*) Yes ; if the yearly profit is not less than 7½% of the capital investment.

(*b*) 5%.

(*c*) The accounts have not been settled.

(*d*) The net profit is calculated with due regard to the depreciation on buildings, rolling stock, machinery and tools, furniture and interest on the capital invested. The Department pays P. W. D. tolls. Ground-rent is not charged as the cost of the land is being debited to the Department.

MR. KUNJUKRISHNAN : May I ask why the Government entered into this kind of arrangement?

MR. G. NARAYANAN TAMPI : In our advertisment for a suitable person to organise the State Transport Department, this additional inducement was also offered.

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